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**Thomas Cotton** 

Cotton for Senate and Crate Bradley in his

official capacity as treasurer (the

"Committee")

Dear Mr. McGinley:

On October 28, 2014, the Federal Election Commission notified your clients of a complaint alleging violations of certain sections of the Federal Election Campaign Act of 1971, as amended. On February 25, 2016, the Commission found, on the basis of the information in the complaint, that there is no reason to believe that Thomas Cotton and the Committee violated 52 U.S.C. §§ 30116 or 30118 by making or receiving prohibited or excessive in-kind contributions in the form of coordinated communications. Accordingly, the Commission closed its file in this matter.

Documents related to the case will be placed on the public record within 30 days. See Statement of Policy Regarding Disclosure of Closed Enforcement and Related Files, 68 Fed. Reg. 70,426 (Dec. 18, 2003) and Statement of Policy Regarding Placing First General Counsel's Reports on the Public Record, 74 Fed. Reg. 66,132 (Dec. 14, 2009). The Factual and Legal Analysis, which explains the Commission's findings, is enclosed for your information.

If you have any questions, please contact Peter Reynolds, the attorney assigned to this matter at (202) 694-1650.

Sincerely,

Peter G. Blumberg

Assistant General Counsel

Enclosure
Factual and Legal Analysis